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- Didsbury Bantam Tournament Nov. 23 - 25

Austin Reister (left) gets a healthy helping of turkey from volunteer Sarah Konschuh at West Glen Middle School's annual turkey dinner last Wednesday. The event fed many hungry belies, as 18

turkeys were served up to students, teachers, and volunteers.

# Local company plans old school demolition

BY JOSH SKAPIN

In as soon as two weeks, local company Columbia Rail Contractors could begin the process of demolition on the old Didsbury High School.

Owner of Columbia Rail Contractors, Jerry Code

says the project should take approximately a month and a half to complete and they are presently waiting on the removal of building utilities prior to starting the teardown.

At least two, but possibly three hydraulic excavators, which are the same machines the company used for previous demolition work at schools in Airdrie and Rocky Mountain House, could be used in the local demolition.

Code compares the Didsbury school, a brick building with two levels and a concrete foundation, as being slightly smaller than the other school buildings the company has worked on in the area.

The footprint of the school

is roughly 3,500 sq metres, with a total building area of just over 5,000 sq metres.

The demolition is expected

to begin on the school's single level on the north side of the building.

Code says one of the benefits to conducting a demolition in January is the unneeded concern for dust.

"If it was hot and windy, it would be an issue, but being wintertime, it's actually the best time of year to do it. The dust just doesn't fly like it does in the middle of summer." Following the demolition,

Following the demolition, Columbia Rail will be responsible for filling the hole left by the absent building, which Code says will be a simple process.

He says the two level portion of the building is the only section that digs into the ground, and enters at approximately three feet deep.

"It's a fairly minor hole after that's taken out of there. You'll hardly notice," he said. "Usually in these types of

"Usually in these types of jobs, we fill them in, and come back in the spring to level it again because of the way the frost will settle."

Rubble from the demolition will be transported to the landfill, and the company will take the brick and block portions back to their yard where they will be crushed and recycled.







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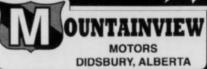


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# Town, developers talk off-site levies

#### Local builder says changes were expected

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BY JOSH SKAPIN

Didsbury Review

The Town of Didsbury is one step closer to increasing the price tag in a new offsite levy bylaw for developers.

Didsbury's offsite levy costs are considered low in comparison to similar-sized municipalities and the town feels an increase would help take the burden of service costs off the local taxpayer.

Town council and town staff members met with a number of developers who are presently active or potentially interested in doing work in Didsbury, presenting numbers on the proposed increase and seeking their feedback on the change.

Town development officer Robert Wigg said the dialogue between the town and developwas positive.

"Certainly there was n't any great concern about the numbers. Yes, it will effect them. But they have been waiting for this," he sewer with the economy,

Presently, Didsbury's off-site levy costs are as follows: \$1,180.22 \$1,800 per dwelling unit, and \$7,081.32 -\$10,800 per acre based on six units per acre. Their proposed bylaw would see an increase to: \$1,800 paid at the

subdivision endorse-ment or \$2,950.53 paid at lot sale at a rate of per dwelling unit, or \$10,800 an acre or ,703.18 an acre per acre based on six units per acre.

Gord Kerr of Didsbury-based builder Dreamwood Homes was present at the meeting and said the potential increase came as no surprise

"Nobody wants to pay extra money for anything," he said.

But the realities for servicing and providing potential services for water and sewer with the economy, are going up.

"It all rolls back to the consumer doesn't matter how it's handled at that

"If they don't do enough front loading of off-site levies, then the taxpayer gets hit

with larger taxes down the road anyways.

Kerr says he realizes the town's challenge of striking a balance between num-bers that are fair for developers and collecting enough on off-site levies to handle service fees

"It's tough. I feel for the town's position and the developer's position, and ultimately us and the customer.

As the builder, we don't want our lot prices to go up, but the services need to be provided. I think the town is being proactive and open about what it's going

I think the meeting was positive...the off-site levies are a necessary evil to make sure the infrastructure

is there.

Town council made a number of amendments to the proposal that was previously presented to developers during

its meeting Dec. 18.
Among the changes is a price per acre change to \$17,700 at the time of subdivision endorse-ment, and new price levels for multi unit developments less than one acre.

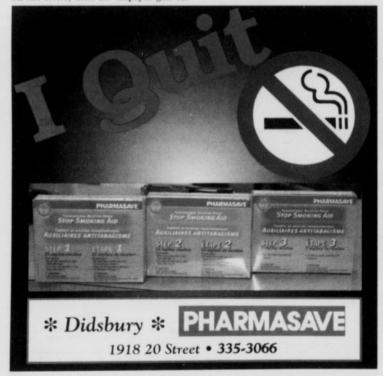
Wigg says the town administration hopes to have the updated pro-posal distributed to developers during the GORD KERR Christmas holidays.

Council will revisit the proposed bylaw with its amendments

for second and third readings during its meeting Jan. 8.

Council passed first reading of the bylaw at its meeting Sept .18, prior to the 2007 municipal election

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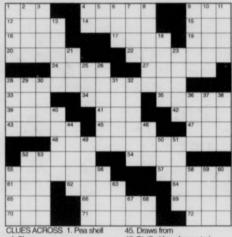
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#### **Editorial**

#### Pickton killings make good case for capital punishment

DAN SINGLETON

The conviction of one of Canada's most notorious and prolific serial killers this month provides a prime example of why Canada should reconsider its ban on capital punishment.

Vancouver-area pig farmer Robert Pickton brutally slaughtered and dismembered six women: Georgina Papin, Marnnie Frey, Mona Wilson, Andrea Joesbury, Sereena Abotsway and Brenda Wolfe. A jury convicted him of second degree murder in all six deaths on Oct. 9.

During Pickton's trial, jurors and family members of the victims heard some of the most grisly and shocking evidence ever presented in a courtroom in this nation. In fact it is probably no exaggeration to say that not since the case of child killer Clifford Olson has such wickedness been seen by a Canadian court.

Yet under current law the maximum Pickton can spend in prison before being eligible to apply for parole is 25 years

Make no mistake, there's very little doubt that Pickton will probably remain in prison for the rest of his life - his crimes are so horrendous and shocking that it is highly unlikely that any future parole board would ever allow him to be free again.

Nevertheless, unlike his victims' families, Pickton will always be able to retain at least a glimmer of hope. He could escape, or he could be mistakenly let out through some bureaucratic error, or he could even be freed by some future parole board.

In the end the only iron-clad way to ensure that Pickton never kills again would be to end his life, either by lethal injection, hanging or some other

Commenting recently on another capital-murder case - that of Red Deer man Ronald Smith, facing execution in Montana for double murder - Wild Rose Conservative MP Myron Thompson said that "the death penalty will never come to Canada".

Put simply, the government has no plans to revisit the capital punishment issue now or down the road, he said.

Yet while the Harper Tories have made a great deal about their plans to get tough on crime, doesn't their refusal to even consider the issue of capital punishment cast doubt on their overall commitment to public security and protection?

The hard, cold fact is that as long as Robert Pickton and murderers like him are allowed to 'wait-and-see' whether they will get out of prison some day, no one is safe.

Meanwhile a decision is pending on whether Pickton will face a second trial in the deaths of 20 other women, all suspected to have been slaughtered in a similar horrendous way as the first six vic-

Will 20 more convictions make Robert Pickton less likely to reoffend if he gets the chance? Of course not. It will take a visit from the hangman to do that.



# **Guest Commentary** Fair rents for Albertans

In a perfect world where everyone lived by the Golden Rule unfettered free enterprise work for the good of all. But unfor-tunately some are tempted by greed, such as various landlords in Alberta. They are taking advantage of the uncontrolled boom in Alberta and the resulting shortage of affordable housing to raise rents

by as much as 200 per cent. This situation is unfair. renters are not receiving anything extra for the additional rent they are paying nor are they enjoying

comparable increases in income. The landlords have not provided any additional goods or service increased investment in order to garner windfall profits.

This is an instance where gov-ernment should step-in to remedy an unbalanced market. The reac tion of the current government to subsidize these rent increases with our tax dollars only encourages other landlords to follow suit. Instead, annual increases in rent should be limited to Alberta's annual rate of inflation until the supply

of affordable housing meets the demand. Building of affordable housing should be promoted by supporting housing cooperatives and encouraging the Federal Government to reinstate the Multi Unit Residential Building (MURB)

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program. It is time for proactive solutions to the housing crisis in Alberta.

> Len Skowronski Leader of the Alberta Social Credit Party

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#### **PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES**

#### **REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS:**

Tuesday, January 8 & 29, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers

#### MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

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The Town Office will be closed the second Friday of every month from Noon to 1:00 pm (January 11, 2008)

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Please call 559-8113 for more information.

#### Are Your 2007 Property Taxes Paid?

All outstanding balances will be penalized 18% on January 2, 2008.

# ATTENTION UTILITY RATE PAYERS

As of December 1, 2007 the winter rates for sewer come into effect. The new rate is 56.5% of your water usage. This will be in effect until May 31, 2008. All other charges will remain the same.

#### ATTENTION NEW HOME OWNERS! IS YOUR HOUSE NUMBER POSTED?



As per Town of Didsbury Bylaw 2006-12 all property must have the assigned number displayed. This number is to be displayed at all times at a location plainly visible from the roadway to which the property is addressed.

If you are unsure of your property address number, please contact the Town of Didsbury at 335-3391.

#### TOWN OF DIDSBURY CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Administration Office, Planning & Development & Public Works

December 24 CLOSED
December 25 CLOSED
December 26 CLOSED

December 27 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
December 28 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
December 31 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
December 31 8:30 am to 12:00 noon

January 1 CLOSED
January 2 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Didsbury Neighborhood Place

CLOSED December 24 to January 2, 2008 Didsbury Aquatic Centre & Arena

December 25 CLOSED
December 26 CLOSED
January 1 CLOSED

Check out the full schedule on the website: www.didsbury.ca

The Town of Didsbury Mayor, Council and Staff wish you all a safe and happy Christmas Season.

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Town of Didsbury

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#### **NEW BLACK & GREEN BIN PICK UP SCHEDULE**

The schedule for Compost Green Bin and Garbage Black Bin pick up has changed. Depending on where you live, your pick up days will remain Tuesdays or Wednesdays.

#### **JANUARY 2008**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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LEGEND: COMPOST (GREEN BIN)

GARBAGE: (BLACK BIN)

NO PICK UP: X



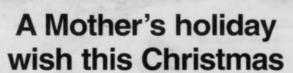
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On December 23, 2001 Debbie was out shopping for last minute Christmas gifts. Loving mother and five-months pregnant with her second child, Debbie Dawe would never return home. This is a holiday wish from Debbie's

other Lesley Read of Thunder Bay, Ontario:

I never dreamed that anything so trainatic would happen to my family. I read about such tragedy in the paper, I saw these things on the television news, and people would tell me about such things happening. But like so many others I felt sure it only happened 'out there.' It would never happen to me, to our family..

This poem is of a moment in time that has forever changed the lives of our

Christmas 2001 passed in a blur for myself and my family. Instead of opening Christmas presents from under the tree and gathering around the family dinner table, our Christmas consisted of funeral preparations, shock, and tears.

There is no ending or closure to a death like this. There are nightmares, sleepless nights, and at times lunging on to life by a thread.

Christmas 2002 was just as traumatic. Instead of gathering around the family dinner table, we had travelled in freezing temperatures, through snow and wind and our family was gathered in a circle at a Parole Hearing in Manitoba.

I want people to know how wide-spread a tragedy like this is. Our family s not the only one to suffer Debbie and the loss of her unborn child.

by this tragedy - the police who had to handle the occurrence, the fire depart-ment and ambulance attendants who had to respond to the scene. Debbie was a lab technician in the hospital consequently, everyone worked with was traumatized. Let's not forget all the friends that had to deal with losing Debbie. And then there is the offender of this crime - he has a family who has been left without a husband, father and no means of an

Debbie's loss is with us every day. Special occasions, like birthdays, Thanksgiving and Easter are tainted forever. There is always the reminder that one chair remains empty at the dinner table.

The most heartbreaking times for me are the events in Debbie's daughter's life. Riley started school this year and Debbie ought to have been the one walking her through the doors.

It tears my heart apart when school outings to Gammondale Farm, or an afternoon at the arena skating come up. So many students have their mothers along and as much as I love sharing these times with Riley, she deserves to have had her mother with her.

I ask you, please, to take heart from my words. Don't have your Christmas lights go out forever! Be responsible! Have a designated driver or plan to stay overnight wherever you are celebrating. My Christmas wish is that everyone "TIE ONE ON" with a red ribbon on your

motorists NOT TO DRINK AND DRIVE!



### RCMP briefs

BY JOSH SKAPIN

details of the seizure was useful, so if the owner of the travel trailer reports their vehicle stolen, they can provide an explanation.

12-13- Didsbury fire and rescue requested a meeting with Didsbury RCMP to dis-

12-13 - RCMP were called for assist

tance from the bailiff sheriff's office in

Calgary. The request was to assist in the

seizure of a local travel trailer. Police say

their participation and knowledge of the

12-13- Didsbury fire and rescue requested a meeting with Didsbury RCMP to discuss concerns over a man burning items in town.

12-14 - Complaint of the rear window of a vehicle being smashed in Carstairs.

12-14 — Complaint of vandalism to a car in Carstairs.

12-14- A person in the area lost their bank card. When they received their bank card statement they noticed approximately \$2,000 had been withdrawn from multiple account transactions.

12-15 – A female requested police and ambulance assistance to a licensed establishment in Didsbury.

lishment in Didsbury.

12-14 – An intoxicated man was located behind a licensed establishment in Didsbury. Police say the man had passed out and was guite cold.

out and was quite cold.

12-15 — Complaint of a gas and dash from a gas station in Carstairs. Approximately \$25 worth of fuel had been stolen from the scene.

12-15 – Complaint of a vehicle running a stop sign on Hwy 2a and Hwy. 582.

12-15 - Complaint of a pickup truck

stunting and weaving through traffic on Hwy. 2.

12-15 - Complaint of an underaged youth intoxicated in Didsbury.

12-16 - Complaint of a sports utility vehicle stunting and grabbing Christmas decorations in Cremona

decorations in Cremona.

12-16 - Report of a lost purse in Didsbury.

12-16 - Tenants were evicted from a residence in Carstairs, but left their pitbull inside.

12-17 - Report of a single vehicle colliding with four bulls on Hwy. 580 near Cremona. The vehicle was destroyed and the driver was taken to hospital in Sundre. The four bulls were killed.

12-17 — Complaint of a vehicle losing control and hitting the ditch in the north-bound lane on Hwy.2.

12-17 – Complaint of someone smoking pot from a business in Carstairs.

12-17 – Complaint of someone opening the sliding glass door to a residence in Water Valley. Nothing was reported missing from inside the residence.

12-18 - Report of a youth entering a garage in Water Valley without receiving permission from its owners. The youth was the friend of the owner's child and entered the garage to retrieve his snow-board.

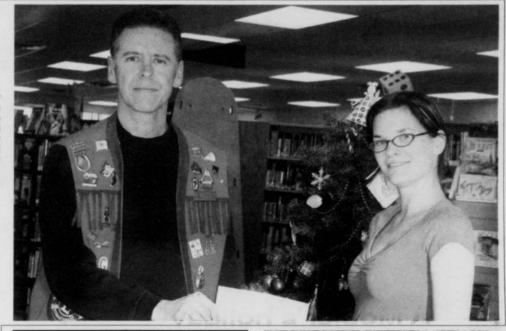
12-17 – A man struck a deer with his vehicle on Hwy. 582. The driver tried to slow down when he spotted a number of deer crossing the road.

## REVIEW



"Your Family Newspaper"

335-3301 or Fax: 335-8143 On behalf of the Didsbury Lions, President Brian Wasko donates \$2,500 to the Didsbury after school program, accepted by President of the Child and Youth Clubs of Didsbury Lee-Anne Akister.



ountain View Waste & Management Town of Didsbury Christmas & New Year's for Residential Waste Collection

Week of December 24
- December 28, 2007

No Green Bin or Black Bin Collection.

Week of December 31, 2007 - January 4, 2008

Black Bin Collection will be on Monday, December 31 instead of Tuesday, January 1.

Wednesday, January 2, 2008 Collection will be as normal.

All bins are to be placed out by 7:00 a.m.







Local realtors Dan and Chez Peters would like to thank Mark and Karen Missikewitz of the Didsbury Dollar Store and Sean and Wanda Davies from Parties and Crafts for their donations supporting the Home of Hope campaign in Rwanda. The donated balls were given to orphans by Dan Peters on his recent trip with Home of Hope members to the African country. See full story in this week's Mountain View Gazette.

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Dr. Jaffer and the staff of Didsbury Medical Clinic would like to extend out best wishes to

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# Colts take aim at difibrillator machine

#### Sponsored scoring to help complex

BY JOSH SKAPIN

The Mountain View Colts the Heritage Junior B

Hockey League are once again giving back

In an effort to support the community that they are thankful for supporting them, the Colts, with help from the Didsbury Memorial Complex management team, are using this year's annual charity hockey game to assist in fundraising for the purchase of a defibrillator machine for the Didsbury Memorial Complex in a match versus the Cochrane Generals Jan. 5.

"Heart problems aren't just zeroed in on seniors. There are young hockey players who have had heart the ice. attacks on Numerous fans. Everyone in the area uses the complex at time or another...after two people have died of heart attacks at the curling rink, we just feel there is a

need to have this machine in the complex area," said Mountain View Colts Sports and Recreation Association

president Fran Murphy.

The cost of the machine with a proper storage case is approximately \$3,800.

Presently, pool and arena management are looking into training programs for machine-use

A portion of the money is raised through a sponsorship per goal scored.

Last year's sponsorship was up to \$300 per goal, which is something the organization would like to see again this time.

"The players don't know (how much the goals are sponsored for)," said Murphy. "That's so we don't put added pressure on them. They won't know until after the game, how much money they've raised.

It gives them a little bit of a push to see how much they can raise." In addition to pledges, the team is also selling 50/50 tickets. Last year companies donated a variety of gifts for the 50/50 table with draws being made each period for the gifts, prior to a final cash prize draw of 50 per cent of the earnings from tickets sold.

The Colts' annual charity game has been in existence three years, with last year's efforts being to benefit

an organ donation charity in the memory of Didsbury woman Chris Pieper.

Those interested in issuing a challenge or to become involved by supplying gifts for the draw table are encouraged to contact Byron Sayer with at the Memorial Complex.

Also upcoming is a charity ockey game featuring the

Mountain View Colts alumni. The game is being played to benefit the Mountain View Food Bank and an organ donation charity in the memory of Pieper, slated for



# Olds school top priority of Catholic division

BY ANDREW WILD

A Catholic school planned for Olds has been made the number one capital priority by the school division over-

by the school division over-seeing the project.
Red Deer Catholic
Regional Division recently
approved a resolution to
place the Holy Trinity
School project to the top of the division's three-year capital plan.

According to division superintendent Paulette Hanna the decision to do so was consistent with the school board's wish that the new school in Olds be started as a permanent structure.

"What we did was we went out and did some work with our architect and found sout it was going to cost us \$6.6 million to do a perma-nent core," she explained. "In order to do that what we are going to need is an additional \$2.6 million from the provincial government.

In September 2006, the province dedicated \$4 million for a start-up, modular style school in Olds. The division has since requested the difference between the original amount and the projected cost for a core facility.

That meant the division moving from its original plan of having a school in some form by September 2008. However, doing so posed no risk in terms of the original provincial funding, as the \$4 million is still secure for its original intent.

"We met with and told parishioners in Olds that to

"We're hoping that we're successful, but if we're not we'll be there in September 2009 to start Catholic education in Olds."

PAULETTE HANNA Red Deer Catholic Regional Division superintendent

pursue a core school it delaying mean Catholic education in Olds for one year," said Hanna. "We're hoping that we're successful, but if we're not we'll be there in September 2009 to start Catholic education in Olds."

The board is expecting a response from the provin-cial government in January to the additional funding

That decision will determine what step is taken in spring 2008 in terms of con-With a further struction. board resolution to have the working drawings for a core school completed to 50 per cent, the board will keep the designs until funding for the core facility is approved.

for the school to be built in three phases. The first phase was to be a modular school

with phase two bringing in a permanent core with amenities like a gymnasium and science labs, while phase three would feature more classrooms to meet growing enrolments.

However, according to Hanna the division is prepared to go ahead with the modular school should they be unsuccessful in securing the necessary funds for a core school.

Regardless of the form of the school, how many grades it houses will be determined when registration is conducted.

Planning has been done for a kindergarten to grade five school although they will consider a kindergarten to grade eight school if numbers dictate.

"It probably will be a K to five and then grow to a K to eight," offered Hanna.

Currently, there are no plans for a high school and the decision to offer classes up to grade eight is based on conforming to where sec-ondary education begins local public high schools.

"Chances are kids then would want to start their high school at grade nine with Chinook's Edge (in Olds or Didsbury)," said Hanna.

She did say the option to continue education for secondary school students in a Catholic school in Red Deer would be available.

In April, Red Catholic and the Town of Olds agreed on a location for the school. The school will be built just off an extension of Winter Drive in a planned subdivision outside the southwest corner of the town's boundaries.

The concept of a Catholic school in Olds became reality in 2004 when Catholic residents in Olds and Didsbury voted to join the Red Deer Catholic Regional Division.

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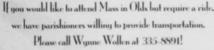
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#### Friday, Dec. 28

There will be no cribbage play at the 5-0 club. Play will resume again on Friday, January 4 at 7:00

#### Dec. 21,22,&23 at 7:30 p.m.

The "Live Nativity" will acted out at the Redeemer Church. Welcome one and all to view this pageant.

#### Saturday, Dec. 22

The Mountain View Colts have a home game at 8:00 p.m. against the Three Hills Thrashers. Your support will be duly appreciated.

#### Tuesday, Dec. 25 and Wednesday, Dec. 26

The Didsbury Aquatic Centre will be closed these two days. At the Memorial Complex, the main ice sur-face and the leisure ice surface will also be closed.

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#### Monday, Dec. 31

Just got word of the New Year's Eve Dance at the Mountain View Community Hall. Phone 335-4581 or 335-4288 for all the details.

#### Wednesday, Jan. 2

This is the closing date entries into the Didsbury Farm and Ranch Spiel being held from January 7-12 at the Didsbury Curling Rink. Phone your entry to Harry Reese 335-3181. The teams will be made up of two or three farmers (men, mixed or women) and a business person to be drawn.

#### Thursday, Jan. 3

All Seniors of the town and surrounding areas are

# In and around **Didsbury**

invited to an afternoon together at Eldon Foote Hall (train station) after the doors are opened at 1:30 pm. There will be a variety of activities followed by refreshments. You can phone Carol at the Seniors support office 335-4391 (mornings) for more info or if you need a ride.

#### Friday, Jan. 4

Cribbage play will resume at 7:00 pm at the 5-0 Centre. Coffee and goodies for all, everyone wel-

#### Friday, Jan. 4

Would you like to come and cheer on the curler at the first ever INDY 500 of Curling at the Didsbury Curling Rink. The name IN as in Innisfail, DY as in Didsbury 500, that's howmuch granite goes down the ice each end. Play begins at 9:00 am. Concession will be open. ash prizes.

#### Saturday, Jan. 5

The game starts at 8:00 pm at the Didsbury Arena the Cochrane Generals in town to play

the Mountain View Colts Come and cheer on your

#### Tuesday, Jan. 8

Mountainview Women's Christian Continental Breakfast will be held from 9:30 am 11:30 am upstairs in the Carstairs Arena (across from Hugh Sutherland School). "Home is Where the Heart is", Special Feature – Home Interiors – Jeannette Austin, Special Music – Sydney Cunmings Special Speaker - to be announced.

Please phone Margie 335-3765 or Deb 337-2487 for your reservation. Free babysitting is supplied by the Women's Club.

#### Tuesday, Jan. 8

The Didsbury Hospital Auxiliary will meet at pm in the Assembly Room at the Hospital. New members always welcome.

#### Wednesday, Jan. 9

The Pot Luck dinner at the 5-0 Club will start at 12:30 pm. Put together your favourite meat dish, veggies or dessert and enjoy!

#### Saturday, Jan. 12

The Medicine Hat Cubs vill be playing against the Mountain View Colts at 8:00 pm at the Didsbury Arena. Your cheers are really appreciated by the home team.

#### Tuesday, Jan. 15

Dr. Nugent, foot doctor,

will be at the 5-0 club from 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm. No appointment nece

This will be my last news until January 8 so I send my sincerest wishes to all my readers and my helpers for a Merry Christmas with friends and family and a Happy Prosperous New Year to all!



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CHANDLER
Lorne Chandler passed away in his sleep December 17, 2007 at the age of 80 years. He was predeceased by his loving wife Helen, his parents Lloyd and Frances Chandler, his brother Jay and his grandson Ben. He is survived by his three children Don (Rhonda), aren (Bruce). Tom (Dominique): karen (Bruce), Tom (Dominique); grandchildren Amy, Stephen, Cody, Jake and Joe; brother Allan (Joyce) and sister Marj. Funeral services were held on Saturday, December 22, 2007 at Bergen Evangelical Missionary Church with Pastor Bruce Lynn officiating. Interment was held at the Bergen Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made directly to Bergen Evangelical Missionary Church Memorial Fund or Alberta Heart & Stroke Foundation. As a tribute to Lorne Chandler, a tree will be planted in the Heartland Tree Memorial

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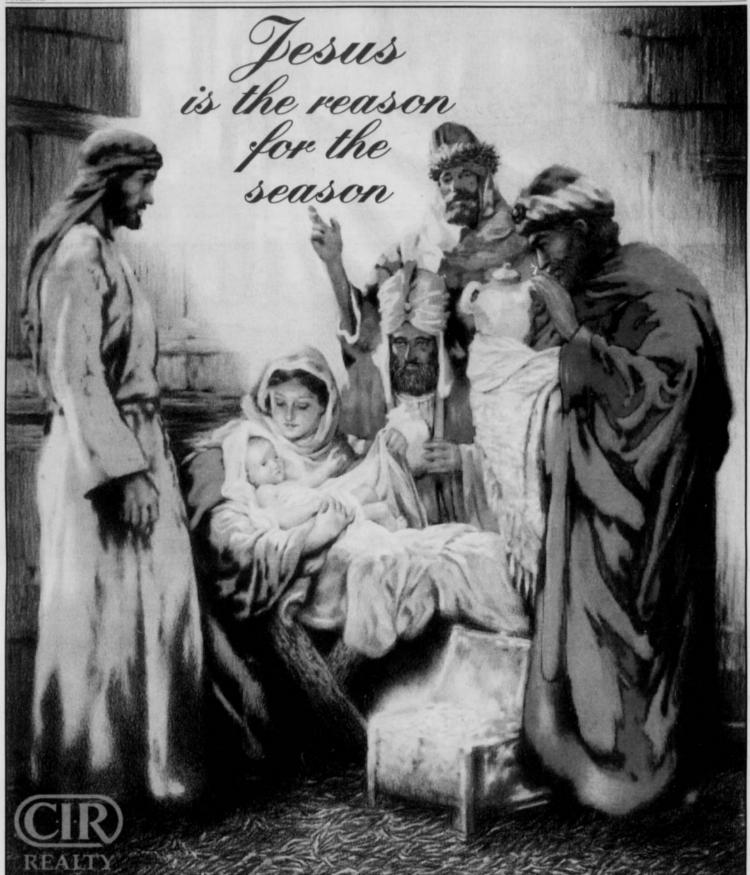
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